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SUBJ: PRESS REPORTS OF NEW U.S. HUMAN RIGHTS LEGISLATION

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1. LA MANANA MORNING FEBRUARY 24 CARRIED FRONT-PAGE

HEADLINE: "U.S. IS NOW TRYING TO CONDITION ITS

AID TO THE IMF." ACCORDING TO LA MANANA ARTICLE THE HOUSE
OF REPRESENTATIVES FEBRUARY 23 PASSED A HARKIN AMENDMENT
TO THE INTERNATIONAL MONITARY FUND LEGISLATION TYING U.S.
CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WITTEVEEN FACILITY TO HUMAN RIGHTS
CONDITIONS. ARTICLE IS NATURALLY HIGHLY CRITICAL OF THIS
REPORTED ACTION DENCUNCING IT AS UNJUSTIFIED INTERFERENCE
WHICH WILL HAVE GRAVE IMPLICATIONS.

2. WE ASSUME LA MANANA REPORT MAY BE PREFERRING TO SOMETHING
OTHER THAN FINAL HOUSE PASSAGE OF SUCH AN AMENDMENT. WOULD
APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT CLARIFYING FOR US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
BECAUSE WE ARE WITHOLDING APPROACH ON IMF SALARIES ISSUE
UNTIL WE ARE IN A POSITION TO BE ABLE TO RESPOND TO GOU
OFFICIALS ON THIS QUESTION WHICH THEY WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY
RAISE.

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